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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK PLAN - STEP 1
ACTIVITY OBJECTIVES

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Paradise-Denio

Activity

Lands

Objective Number

Objective:

To make available public lands to municipalities for the expansion and growth of the communities.

Method of disposal will involve the direct sale of public lands to the municipality.

Rationale:

Communities rely on the Federal Government, specifically the Bureau of Land Management, to make lands available for specific needs, i.e., Urban Suburban Lands.

Problems realized if public lands are not made available to the communities:

1. Occupancy Trespass
2. Proliferation of utility services and unrestrained types of development.

Opportunities to be realized are, the Bureau of Land Management would be an agency involved with the development and growth of the community.

No major impacts are anticipated from the lands disposal program. Disposals will be based on expansion and development of communities and as identified through the county's master plan. As industry and agriculture increase in the Winnemucca District, the need will arise for urban and suburban land disposals..

LANDS DECISION

The public lands within the Paradise-Denio Resource Area will be retained in public ownership unless it has been determined through this land use planning process that disposal of a particular parcel is in the national interest.

The segregation against mineral entry on the Blue Lakes Area will be retained.

Rationale

The Federal Land Policy and Management Act gives BLM the charter to retain public lands for multiple use management. Since the Bureau is in the process of revising the classification of lands which was made pursuant to the C and MU Act of September 19, 1964, it is imperative that the public lands be designated for retention and multiple use management.

Further, 43 CFR 2200.1 states as follows, public lands may be disposed of by exchange under this part only if their disposal is in conformance with the land use planning provisions contained in subpart 1601 of this title.

Further, 43 CFR 2711.1-1 "Identification of tracts by land use planning" states as follows: "Tracts of public lands shall only be offered for sale in the implementation of land use plans prepared and approved in accordance with subpart 1601 of this title.

The checkerboard lands have been recommended for retention because they are very high in mineral values and their disposition would cause extreme difficulty in administration.

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L 1.1 Urban Suburban Land Disposal Recommendation:

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Section 3, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, S 1/2

Section 4, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, S 1/2

Section 5, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, S 1/2

Rationale:

This recommendation is valid because the lands are readily available for community expansion. The Bureau is currently operating under the interim guidelines for disposal under the authority of Section 203, Public Law 94-579. Benefits to be realized from the acquisition of public lands include the realization of community growth and development, gainful employment for persons associated with the housing industry and more dollars being brought into the community economic scene. Assumptions to be made on the disposal program as proposed are that the local governments will make requests available for public lands needed for community expansion. Other actions to be taken by the Bureau of Land Management would involve the identification of lands suitable for disposal through Bureau Motion Action. Another assumption to be made from this recommendation is that the public lands may not be identified for disposal for other communities within the planning units because of the ready availability of private lands for the same purpose.

This recommendation supports the objective by making lands available for community expansion.

Alternatives to be considered are:

1. Defer identification of public lands for urban expansion areas.
2. Allow cities and municipalities to make their needs evident through their planning documents.
3. Identify public lands suitable for disposal to cities and municipalities for urban-suburban expansion.

Alternative #3 is chosen because of the feasibility of the recommendation and the availability of public lands.

Support Needs:

1. Appraisal of the public lands involved.
2. Archeological survey and clearance if necessary.

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Multiple Use Analysis

No Complements

Conflicts:

Minerals 1.1 Make no land use decisions that would interfere with mineral development (gold, silver, tungsten).

Minerals 5.1 Make no land use decisions that would interfere with leasing and development of lands classified by USGS as prospectively valuable for sodium and potassium.

Minerals 6.1 Make no land use decisions that would interfere with leasing and development on lands classified by USGS as prospectively valuable for geothermal resources on lands classified as KGRA's.

Watershed 4.1 Prevent any surface disturbance in habitats for any Federal or State listed endangered, threatened or sensitive plants. Establish these locations of such plants as ACEC's (As Al).

Wildlife 1.17 Exclusive uses, i.e., material sites, ORV areas or disposal actions, will not be authorized if they adversely affect wildlife.

Wildlife 1.26 Preclude the following crucial and important wildlife use areas from vegetative manipulations (Antelope migration).

Recreation 1.2 Research and establish interpretative programs on historical, archeological and natural features in the resource area. Maintain fire protection in these areas (Peter Ogden Route 1828).

Range 1.10 Provide adequate quantity and quality of water sufficient to maintain livestock requirements (well present).

Range 2 Increase existing allocatable livestock forage by artificial methods.

Wilderness 1.4 Identify activities that jeopardize wilderness suitability (areas 609 and 642).

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The General Plan for Humboldt County mentions that public land surrounding towns and communities in the county should be retained in public ownership until county planning identifies those lands needed for community facilities or expansion. The Planning Area Analysis states, "The local citizenry of Humboldt County, municipal governments, planning boards have identified the need to retain certain public lands in federal control for community needs, whenever they can be identified. Most towns and communities of the BLM district are not considered in a land-locked situation and, therefore, do not require immediate attention for disposal efforts" (page 17 PAA). "In general, buffer zones of undeveloped private land lie between the Humboldt County communities and the surrounding public lands." (page 16 PAA)

MFP II Multiple Use Recommendations

Reasons

1. Accept alternative two: allow cities and municipalities to make their needs evident through their planning documents. Do not dispose of the listed lands in T. 47 N., R. 30 E. for any other reasons as it is very likely Denio will request those lands in the future.

1. Encourage and allow Humboldt County and its communities through their planning (the Humboldt County General Plan) to identify their required land needs so that development is orderly and organized.

The community of Denio is perhaps the most land locked town in the resource area for expansion. The lands identified in T. 47 N., R. 30 E., should not be disposed of for any reason as they are most likely to be requested for Denio's future expansion.

Time Frame and Funding Requirements (Manpower)

1. Additional manpower is necessary in order to implement this recommendation.
2. Resource Area personnel should be trained in the lands activity. This would require training through the Phoenix Land School.
3. Recommendation could be implemented as soon as fiscal year 1982 pending a request by Humboldt County.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Dispose of these public lands under R&PP applications or other appropriate authorities to local government entities as the need for such lands are made apparent through community planning documents.

	<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Section</u>	
Denio	47 N.	30 E.	3	Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 S1/2
			4	Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, S1/2
			5	Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, S1/2
McDermitt	47 N.	38 E.	13	
Winnemucca	37 N.	38 E.	33	E1/2NE1/4, SW1/4, N1/2SE1/4
			34	W1/2NW1/4
	36 N.	38	4	NW1/4NW1/4

As local government identifies other lands for their needs they will be handled in the same manner.

Rationale

It is unlikely that the private sector cannot accommodate urban growth in the foreseeable future.

Allow the local community to plan for growth and development in an organized and orderly manner with complete development plans prepared at the time of R&PP approval.

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Objective:

To dispose of certain public lands as administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The lands are located within the band of checkerboard land and also occur in isolated tracts or parcels bordering agriculturally developed lands.

Method of disposal will be Bureau Motion in which the BLM will initiate the proposal.

Rationale:

Approximately 87% of the State of Nevada is administered by the Bureau of Land Management and other federal agencies. The parcels of public land subject to this disposal program are uneconomic remnants of public land left over after the State of Nevada selected parcels. The left over parcels are difficult to manage and too often result in occupancy or agricultural trespass.

There are no major impacts or conflicts with existing governmental programs.

Assumptions can be made as to agricultural water for the parcels. Most of the lands are located in designated basins which restrict entry for agricultural diverting existing water rights in excess of what is required show potential for consideration by the State Water Engineer.

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Multiple Use Analysis

Complements:

Wildhorse and Burros 1.4 Remove all wild horses from checkerboard lands in a three year period.

Conflicts:

Minerals 6.1 Make no land use decisions that would interfere with leasing and development on lands classified by USGS as prospectively valuable for geothermal resources or lands classified as KGRA's (T. 41 N., R. 28 E., Sec. 17; T. 44 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 27, 28, 33, & 34; T. 37 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 2, 11, 12, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, & 36; T. 37 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 4, 6, 8, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 26, 28, 29, 30 & 36; T. 38 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 36; T. 38 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 36; T. 39 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 4, 6, & 20; T. 40 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 32 & 36; T. 42 N., R. 40 E., Sec. 23, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 & 36; T. 46 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 6).

Watershed 1.1 Prevent Bureau and Bureau authorized activities from degrading water quality beyond established standards as specified in Nevada Water Pollution Control Regulations (T. 46 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 6; T. 44 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 2, 29, and 32; T. 43 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 3, 4, 5, and 10).

Watershed 3.4 Prohibit any disturbance or land treatment which would significantly reduce the amount of vegetative cover in areas designated as having a high erosion susceptibility or a high vegetal-soil factor (T. 43 N., R. 29 E., Sec. 17, 18, 19, and 20).

Watershed 4.1 Prevent any surface disturbance in habitats for any federal or state listed endangered, threatened, or sensitive plant. Establish these locations of such plants as ACEC's (T. 43 N., R. 32 E., Sec. 29 and 32 CAUL; T. 44 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 28, 33, and 34 ASAI; T. 37 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 28 and 33 PSKI).

Watershed 3.5 Retain all public lands which lie within 100 year floodplains (T. 43 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 10; T. 42 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 10; T. 37 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 15, 22, 27, and 34; T. 44 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 4; T. 43 N., R. 32 E., Sec. 29 and 32).

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Wildlife 1.1 Officially designate all crucial wildlife use areas as ACEC's (T. 42 N., R. 40 E., Sec. 5, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 23, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36 deer concentration, golden eagle, and prairie falcon nesting; T. 45 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 21, 22, 29, and 32 golden eagle and prairie falcon nesting, potential bighorn sheep habitat; T. 44 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 28, 33, and 34 antelope migration).

Wildlife 1.11 Protect crucial wildlife use areas (same as WL 1.1).

Wildlife 1.17 Exclusive uses or disposal actions will not be authorized if such actions adversely affect wildlife (same as WL 1.1).

Wildlife 1.26 Preclude crucial wildlife use areas from vegetative manipulation projects (same as WL 1.1).

Wildlife (aquatic) 1.1 Develop habitat improvement programs to expand the fishery resource (T. 42 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 10; T. 45 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 32; T. 44 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 4 and 9; T. 42 N., R. 32 E., Sec. 29 and 32).

Wildlife (aquatic) 1.2 Develop habitat improvement programs to improve the fishery resource (T. 46 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 6; T. 44 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 29, 32, and 33; T. 43 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 4, 5, and 10; T. 42 N., R. 40 E., Sec. 5, 6, 11, 14, and 15; T. 40 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 36; T. 38 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 36; T. 37 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 2, 11, 12, 15, 22, 27, 28, and 34; T. 44 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 28, 33, and 34; T. 43 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 2, 3, and 4; T. 41 N., R. 28 E., Sec. 17).

Wildlife (aquatic) 1.3 Designate all riparian/stream areas as ACEC's (same as Watershed 3.5, WLA 1.1, and WLA 1.2).

Wildlife (aquatic) 1.15 Apply to the State of Nevada for the right to all unappropriated stream waters (same as W 3.5, WLA 1.1, and WLA 1.2).

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Recreation 1.2 Research and establish interpretative programs on historical, archeological, and natural features in the resource area (T. 378 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 2, 11, 12, 15, 22, 28, 33, 34, and 36; T. 38 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 36; T. 39 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 4, 6, and 20; T. 42 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 4; T. 43 N., R. 37 E., Sec. 3 and 4; T. 43 N., R. 32 E., Sec. 29 and 32; T. 37 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 18; Paradise Valley stage route, Cornucopia-Tuscarora stage route, Ogden 1828-29, and Winnemucca-Silver City stage route).

Recreation 2.3 Establish areas where wild horses can be viewed (T. 37 N., R. 38 E., Sec. 2, 11, 12, 14, 15, 22, 23, and 24; T. 37 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 18).

Recreation 3.2 Retain all public lands in identified recreation areas of class A and B quality (T. 39 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 4, 6, and 20; T. 40 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 6 and 32; T. 42 N., R. 40 E., Sec. 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 23, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36; T. 42 N., R. 39 E., Sec. 1; T. 45 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 21, 22, 29, and 32; T. 44 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 4 and 9; T. 41 N., R. 28 E., Sec. 17; T. 43 N., R. 29 E., Sec. 17, 18, 19, and 20).

Recreation 4.1 Provide Visual Resource Management for areas in their respective classes (T. 45 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 21, 22, 29, and 32 class IV; T. 44 N., R. 34 E., Sec. 4 and 9 class IV; T. 43 N., R. 32 E., Sec. 29 and 32 class IV; T. 41 N., R. 28 E., Sec. 17 class IV; T. 43 N., R. 29 E., Sec. 17, 18, 19, and 20 class II; T. 44 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 28, 33, and 34 class IV; T. 43 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 2, 3, and 4 class IV).

Recreation 6.3 Designate the following areas as ACEC's (Pine Forest and all riparian) (T. 43 N., R. 29 E., Sec. 17, 18, 19, and 20; same as W 3.5; WLA 1.1, and WLA 1.2).

Range 1.10 Provide an adequate quantity and quality of water sufficient to maintain livestock requirements.

Wilderness 1.4 Identify activities that jeopardize wilderness suitability (T. 43 N., R. 27 E., Sec. 2 and 3 #601; T. 43 N., R. 29 E., Sec. 17, 18, 19, and 20 #600; T. 41 N., R. 28 E., Sec. 17 #622; T. 47 N., R. 32 E., Sec. 4 and 9 #609).

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Multiple Use Recommendations

Reasons

1. These lands will be made available for disposal pending:
 - a) soil survey
 - b) water availability
 - c) Preparation of a multiple resource discipline EAR.

1. Before any lands are disposed of for agricultural purposes, a soil survey is necessary to see if the soils are suitable for agriculture and the proposed use for the particular tract of land. Presently the majority of these lands lie in a Designated Ground Water Basin. If the State Water Engineer changes this designation and begins to issue irrigation permits then the lands can be disposed. On any disposal, an EAR is required, if conflicts can be successfully mitigated, then the lands can be offered for disposal.

2. The following lands will be offered only by exchange for lands in the Pine Forest Range.

T. 43 N., R. 27 E., MDB&M

Sec. 2, S 1/2 NW 1/4

Sec. 3, S 1/2 NE 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4

Sec. 4, S 1/2 NE 1/4

T. 44 N., R. 27 E., MDB&M

Sec. 28, SE 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4

Sec. 33, NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4

Sec. 34, NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4

T. 43 N., R. 29 E., MDB&M

Sec. 17, SW 1/4 SW 1/4

Sec. 18, SE 1/4 SE 1/4

Sec. 19, Lot 5

Sec. 20, NW 1/4 NW 1/4

2. These lands would help block up the private agricultural lands and should be offered only by exchange to acquire and block-up the public lands in the Pine Forest and benefit the recreational and wildlife values on that mountain range. According to the State Water Engineer these lands are in an open ground water basin.

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3. The following lands will be offered only by exchange for lands in Mahogany Creek.

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T. 41 N., R. 28 E., MDB&M
Sec. 17, NW 1/4 SE 1/4

3. These lands would help block up the private agricultural lands and should be offered only by exchange to acquire and block up the public lands in Mahogany Creek for the benefit of wildlife values (Lahontan Cutthroat Trout). According to the State Water Engineer, these lands are in an open ground water basin.

Support

Soil Survey
Appraisal
Archeology
Cadastral

Time Frame and Manpower

Trained manpower in the lands field is short at the District level. A lands position for the resource area was identified in the FY 81 package. If the position becomes in reality, action for classification and disposal can start in FY 82.

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As Currently Written:

Make lands available for agricultural disposal provided:

1. Disposal is in the national interest.
2. Soils are determined to be suitable.
3. Water is available.
4. The disposal is compatible with local government plans and is coordinated with local government entities to insure that necessary services and appurtenances such as roads, schools, etc., are possible and practical.

First priority will be given to those lands which will result in expansion of existing agricultural units or areas.

Change To:

The decision will remain as originally written.

Rationale:

Agricultural disposal is consistent with Bureau policy and authorized by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, Desert Land Entry Act and the Carey Act.

Those lands adjacent to or touching portions of the Humboldt River should be retained to provide the public access to the river, and to provide riparian habitat along this river.

The idea is to make legitimate agricultural land available. What we are trying to prevent are nuisance applications which are not legitimate.

No specific parcels of land were identified in this decision. The soils and water data that are necessary to make the decisions on particular parcels is not available. Specific parcels will be recommended for agricultural disposal as the necessary data is gathered, whether checkerboard lands or not.

Disposal of all of the checkerboard land within the district was not recommended because:

1. Many of these are high value mineral lands.
2. Generally speaking, management is well coordinated with the railroad companies that own the alternate sections therefore, mass disposal of the checkerboard lands could severely complicate management.

Persons-Organizations That Have Protested This Decision:

Gary A. Thrasher, DVM, Nevada First Corporation, Winnemucca, Nevada.

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First priority will be given to those lands which will result in expansion of existing agricultural units or areas.

Rationale

Agricultural disposal is consistent with Bureau policy and mandated by the Desert Land Entry Act and the Carey Act. Agricultural use should be by disposal under these acts rather than by long term leases.

Those lands adjacent to or touching portions of the Humboldt River should be retained to provide the public access the river, and to provide riparian habitat along this river.

The idea is to make legitimate agricultural land available. What we are trying to prevent are nuisance applications which are not legitimate and which would result in an appreciable increase in agricultural land.

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Section 5, Lot 4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.

6, W 1/2 W 1/2.

8, E 1/2 NW 1/4.

10, NE 1/4 SE 1/4.

11, W 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.

14, N 1/2 NW 1/4, SE 1/4.

15, E 1/2 SW 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4.

23, S 1/2 N 1/2.

25, W 1/2 SW 1/4, N 1/2 NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4.

26, SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4.

27, SE 1/4.

34, NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

35, W 1/2 SW 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4.

36, NE 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4,
N 1/2 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 43 North, Range 27 East, MDB&M

Section 2, S 1/2 NW 1/4.

3, S 1/2 NE 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4.

4, S 1/2 NE 1/4.

Township 43 North, Range 29 East, MDB&M

Section 17, SW 1/4 SW 1/4.

18, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.

19, Lot 5.

20, NW 1/4 NW 1/4.

Township 43 North, Range 32 East, MDB&M

Section 29, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

32, E 1/2 NE 1/4.

Township 44 North, Range 27 East, MDB&M

Section 28, SE 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.

33, NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4.

34, NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4.

Township 44 North, Range 34 East, MDB&M

Section 4, Lots 1, 2, 4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, W 1/2
SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4.

9, NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4
SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.

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Township 46 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M
Section 6, Lots 1, 2, S 1/2 NE 1/4, W 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4
SE 1/4.

Township 37 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M
Section 4, All.
6, All.
8, All.
16, All.
17, SE 1/4.
18, All.
19, SE 1/4.
20, All.
21, NW 1/4.
24, N 1/2, N 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, SE 1/4.
26, NW 1/4 NE 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, W 1/2; SE 1/4.
28, NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, S 1/2.
29, All.
30, All.
36, All.

Township 38 North, Range 39 East MDB&M
Section 36, All.

Township 39 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M
Section 4, Lots 3, 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4.
6, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, S 1/2 NE 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4,
SE 1/4.
20, W 1/2, W 1/2 E 1/2.

Township 40 North, Range 30 East, MDB&M
Section 32, All.
36, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 41 North, Range 28 East, MDB&M
Section 17, NW 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 42 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M
Section 1, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

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Township 45 North, Range 34 East, MDB&M

Section 21, NE 1/4 SE 1/4.

22, N 1/2 SW 1/4.

29, SW 1/4 SW 1/4.

32, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, S 1/2.

Township 47 North, Range 32 East, MDB&M

Section 4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.

9, E 1/2 NW 1/4.

Rationale:

The recommendation was selected because of the technical feasibility of disposing of parcels of public lands no longer suited for management by the Bureau of Land Management.

Assumptions to be made about the disposal are that the lands may remain undeveloped after title transfer because of the water availability from the State of Nevada. Agricultural water in the northern part of the State of Nevada is a scarce commodity. Water rights and water right filings are handled by the State of Nevada. Allocation is made equal to the amount of recharge capacity of the water basin. Most of the lands subject to disposal are located within designated or closed water basins. Water is subject to transfer to newly acquired lands if excess water rights are available and which would be subject to loss for failure to prove beneficial use.

There are no policy or legal constraints which would affect the disposal program. Regulations in regard to the disposal effort are forthcoming from the Washington Office, Department of Interior. Humboldt County's General Plan was taken into consideration in the formulation of this disposal effort.

Benefits to be realized through the disposal of Federal land are:

1. More land base subject to taxation for Humboldt County,
2. More dollars into the local economy through the growth and sale of farm commodities.

The recommendation and objective are similar in that public lands were identified for the disposal action based on their close proximity to agriculturally developed lands and their isolated nature.

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L 2.1 Recommendation

The following described public lands are identified and recommended for disposal for agricultural purposes.

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Section 3, S 1/2 NW 1/4. S 1/2 NE 1/4
4, S 1/2.
10, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

Township 43 North, Range 37 East MDB&M
Section 3, N 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4.
4, Lots 3 & 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SE 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4.
5, Lots 1, 2, 3, S 1/2 NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1/4, NW 1/4
SE 1/4.
10, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4 NW 1/4,
SE 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4.

Township 44 North, Range 37 East, MDB&M
Section 2, SW 1/4.
29, N 1/2 NE 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4.
32, E 1/2.

Township 37 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M
Section 2, N 1/2 NE 1/4, NW 1/4, S 1/2.
11, SW 1/4.
12, All.
14, All.
15, NE 1/4.
22, E 1/2 NE 1/4, NW 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4
NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4.
23, All.
24, All.
25, All.
26, All.
27, NE 1/4, W 1/2, E 1/2 SE 1/4.
28, All.
33, NE 1/4, W 1/2, N 1/2 SE 1/4.
34, W 1/2 NW 1/4.
36, N 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4.

Township 38 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M
Section 36, N 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NW 1/4, W 1/2 SW 1/4,
NE 1/4 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.

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The recommendation for disposal was selected due to the necessity to effect management on isolated parcels of federal lands. The highest and best use of the parcels has been in other than federal control.

Disposal will have a lasting and beneficial impact on the local and regional economy through the necessity to purchase of farm and ranch implements, materials, and supplies. After the lands have been reclaimed from desert to agricultural use, the sale of farm commodities will also stimulate the economy somewhat.

Support Needs:

1. Appraisal field work
2. Archeological
3. Soils survey report and recommendations

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Recommendation: L-2.2

Actions for consideration on applications filed for public lands under the authority of the Desert Land Entry Act and Carey Act land grants include the following:

1. If applications are filed outside the boundaries of lands exempt from classification under the authority of Classification and Multiple Use Act, the following will apply:
 - A. Contact the State Engineer, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources to determine if the applicant has an approved water right. If the applicant has an approved water right the lands will have to be investigated further for soils, archeological, environmental, revocation of present land classification, and other resource values that may conflict with the application. This procedure would apply to public lands within or without a "designated basin" of the State of Nevada.
 - B. If the applicant does not have an approved water right, reject the application.
 - C. If the application falls within the boundaries of lands exempt from classification under the authority of the Classification and Multiple Use Act, the following will apply:
 - 1) If the applicant does not have an approved water right and the application is located within a "designated basin", then the application should be rejected.
 - 2) If the application is filed on public lands, and the public lands are not located within a designated basin, then the application should be considered further. This investigation includes:
 - a. Verification with State Engineer, Division of Water Resources that there is sufficient water in quality and quantity to allow entry.
 - b. The lands would be surveyed to determine:

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- (1) Suitable Soils - non-alkaline or rocky
- (2) Slope compatibility - would irrigation be by flooding or sprinklers, is topography conducive to this type of irrigation.
- (3) Does the application complement any existing agricultural development?
- (4) Is the development economically feasible?
- (5) Is sufficient power available or is the entry dependent on alternative power sources? Are fuel prices prohibitive for the proposed development.
- (6) Are distribution centers reasonably close for farm commodities and products?

Rationale:

The recommendation is technically feasible if all elements are available for development.

Policy and legal constraints from Federal and State agencies inhibit the applicant in development or reclamation of desert land; for example, the Desert Land Entry program is scheduled for development over a relatively short period of time, 4 years.

The State of Nevada requires an applicant to file for the water rights. This involves water course survey, payment of fees, filing of final proof of development.

Outputs and benefits received from development would be for reaching into the economic markets of both the producer and consumer branches.

Other policy constraints affecting the Desert Land Entry program are the land classifications that exist on the public lands. The C & MU Act, Classification and Multiple Use Act classified certain lands of the State of Nevada and the Winnemucca District against disposal. Certain lands were exempt from this classification action. These lands are shown on URA overlays for the various planning units.

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Alternatives to be considered for this program include the requirement that all irrigable, private lands suitable for agricultural be developed before releasing or reclassification of public lands for Desert Land or Carey Act land entries.

Support:

1. Archeological Survey
2. Soils Examination
3. State Engineer - Division of Water Resources
4. Review of C & MU Act
5. Environmental Assessment

MEP 11
Multiple Use Recommendation

Each application for Desert Land Entry or Carey Act is to be adjudicated by the following:

- a. Soils survey
- b. Water availability
- c. Team EAR

Rationale

Each application to be beneficial and consistent with proper resource management must have suitable soil, available water and be evaluated by a resource team to assess the entry's impacts.

Support

Soils Inventory

Nevada State Water Engineer - statement of water availability for applicant
All Specialists

MEP 111
DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Reject the recommendation. Make it a part of the District's standard operating procedures.

L 2.3

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Transfer out of public ownership the public lands shown below:

Township 42 North, Range 37 East, MDB&M

Section 3, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4.
4, S 1/2.
10, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

Township 43 North, Range 37 East MDB&M

Section 3, N 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4.
4, Lots 3 & 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SE 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4,
E 1/2 SE 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4.
5, Lots 1, 2, 3, S 1/2 NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4.
10, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4
SW 1/4.

Township 44 North, Range 37 East, MDB&M

Section 2, SW 1/4.
29, N 1/2 NE 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4.
32, E 1/2.

Township 38 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M

Section 36, N 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NW 1/4, W 1/2 SW 1/4, NE 1/4
SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 42 North, Range 40 East, MDB&M

Section 5, Lot 4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.
6, W 1/2 W 1/2.
8, E 1/2 NW 1/4.
10, NE 1/4 SE 1/4.
11, W 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.
14, N 1/2 NW 1/4, SE 1/4.
15, E 1/2 SW 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4.
23, S 1/2 N 1/2.
25, W 1/2 SW 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.
26, SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4.
27, SE 1/4.
34, NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1/4.
35, W 1/2 SW 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4.
36, NE 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4,
SW 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 47 North, Range 30 East, MDB&M

Section 3, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, S 1/2.
4, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, S 1/2
5, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, S 1/2.

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Township 43 North, Range 27 East, MDB&M

Section 2, S 1/2 NW 1/4.
3, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8.
4, Lots 5 and 6.

Township 43 North, Range 29 East, MDB&M

Section 17, SW 1/4 SW 1/4.
18, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.
19, Lot 5.
20, NW 1/4 NW 1/4.

Township 43 North, Range 32 East, MDB&M

Section 29, E 1/2 SE 1/4.
32, E 1/2 NE 1/4.

Township 44 North, Range 27 East, MDB&M

Section 28, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.
33, NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4.
34, NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4.

Township 44 North, Range 34 East, MDB&M

Section 4, Lots 1, 2, and 4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, W 1/2
SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4.
9, NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4,
N 1/2 S 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4.

Township 47 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M

Section 13, Lots 1, 5, 6, and 10

Township 46 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M

Section 6, Lots 1 and 2, S 1/2 NE 1/4, W 1/2 SE 1/4, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 37 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M

Section 4, All.
6, All.
8, All.
16, All.
17, SE 1/4.
18, All.
19, SE 1/4.
20, All.
21, NW 1/4.
24, N 1/2, N 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, SE 1/4.
26, NW 1/4 NE 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, W 1/2, SE 1/4.
28, NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, S 1/2.
29, NW 1/4
30, All.
36, All.

Township 38 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M

Section 36, All.

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Township 39 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M

Section 4, Lots 3 and 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4.

6, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5, S 1/2 NE 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, SE 1/4.
20, W 1/2, W 1/2 E 1/2.

Township 40 North, Range 30 East, MDB&M

Section 32, All.

36, SE 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 41 North, Range 28 East, MDB&M

Section 17, NW 1/4 SE 1/4.

Township 42 North, Range 39 East, MDB&M

Section 1, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

Township 45 North, Range 34 East, MDB&M

Section 21, NE 1/4 SE 1/4.

22, N 1/2 SW 1/4.

29, SW 1/4 SW 1/4.

32, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, S 1/2.

Township 47 North, Range 32 East, MDB&M

Section 4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4.

9, E 1/2 NW 1/4.

Township 36 North, Range 37 East, MDB&M

Section 26, N 1/2 NE 1/4, NW 1/4.

Township 37 North, Range 38 East, MDB&M

Section 2, Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, S 1/2.

11, SW 1/4.

12, All.

14, All.

15, NE 1/4.

22, E 1/2 NE 1/4, NW 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, SW 1/4
NW 1/4, SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 SE 1/4.

23, All.

24, All.

25, All.

26, All.

27, NE 1/4, W 1/2, E 1/2 SE 1/4.

28, All.

33, N 1/2, SW 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4.

34, W 1/2 NW 1/4.

36, N 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4.

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MFP III

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Review al proposed disposals of public lands and retain any needed legal access to the remaining public lands.

Rationale

Legal access to public lands by the public and by the Bureau is vital to the use and administration of the public lands. Future disposals should not compound the problems of access to the public lands.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Provide legal access to the following areas:

Blue Lakes area
Black Rock Range
Jackson Mountains
Montana Mountains
Bilk Creek Mountains
Santa Rosa Range
Bartlett Creek
Kings River
Knott Creek
Alder Creek
Happy Creek
Battle Creek
Bottle Creek
Granite Mountains
Pinto Mountains
Trident Peak
Jackson Mountains-King Lear Peak
North Fork of the Little Humboldt River
Lower Martin Creek
Cottonwood Creek
Singus Creek
Stonehouse Creek
Crowley Creek
Willow Creek
Rebel Creek
Wash O'Neal Creek
Owyhee Desert
Adam Peak
Paradise Valley
Foothills of the Santa Rosa Range

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Objective:

To provide for disposal certain public lands as administered by the Bureau of Land Management that show potential for commercial development.

Rationale:

The above objective was identified through present zone classifications of Humboldt County. The lands are physically suited and located adjacent to the main highways of the northern portion of the State of Nevada. These lands are adjacent to lands identified as valuable for commercial purpose by the Humboldt County's General Plan.

Some problems that may arise from the objective not being implemented are:

1. Occupancy trespass or use of public lands adjacent to commercially zoned land. The lands are physically used for storage of machinery, equipment and even used for dump site purposes for the trash and litter resulting from the commercial use.

The above mentioned unauthorized use would be considered as an impact on the public lands. Beneficial impacts realized through the lands disposal effort would be additional public lands placed on the county's tax roll and the Federal Government's ability to aid in commercial development.

Assumptions to be made in this particular action could be that the lands are more valuable for the purpose for which they are proposed. Also that this will take some time to realize due to the relatively undeveloped nature of the territory in which the lands occur.

No conflicts are anticipated from the implementation of this action.

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L 3.1 Commercial Lands Disposal

MFP 1

The following described public lands have been identified as public lands subject to disposal through Bureau Motion Public Sales, Section 203, Public Law 94-579; (43 USC 1713).

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Section 26, SW 1/4 SW 1/4

Township 47 North, Range 38 East, M. D. B. & M.
Section 16, Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, E 1/2 NE 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 NE
1/4 NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4

Note: Other public lands within the planning units are available upon request by community or municipality.

Rationale:

The recommendation is technically feasible due to the current county zone classifications now in effect on the private lands adjacent to the public lands.

The recommendation is related to the objective in that the objective is a disposal effort and this recommendation is the tool through which the objective is achieved.

Alternatives for consideration are:

1. Leaving the public lands idle, undeveloped and managed by the Bureau of Land Management.
2. Disposal of the lands as proposed and identified.

The second alternative was selected because of the feasibility of allocating public lands for commercial development.

This lands disposal would be accepted very highly by the local citizenry, officials of Humboldt County and State Government. Any effort by the BLM to dispose of Federal land in Nevada is widely accepted by everyone.

Support:

Support needs for the implementation of this recommendation include:

1. Archeological survey
2. Appraisal
3. Information and education

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Multiple Use Analysis

No Complements

Conflicts:

Minerals 4.2 There are no known paleontological resources in alluvial floored valleys. Operators or lessees will be instructed to cease operations and notify the authorized officer if paleontological resources are discovered.

Minerals 5.1 Make no land use decisions that would interfere with leasing and development of lands classified by USGS as prospectively valuable for sodium and potassium.

Minerals 6.5 Make no land use decisions that would interfere with oil and gas development on public lands classified by the USGS as prospectively valuable for oil and gas.

Recreation 1.2 Research and establish interpretative programs on historical, archeological and natural features in the resource area.

Recreation 4.1 Provide Visual Resource Management for areas in their respective classes.

Range 1.10 Provide an adequate quantity and quality of water sufficient to maintain livestock requirements.

The Planning Area Analysis (pages 17 and 18) has identified the town of McDermitt's desire to have the public land surrounding that town to be used solely for grazing, for the near future, so that those lands may be used for future growth.

The tract of land at the junction of US 95 and State Route 140 has few conflicts and they can be mitigated.

MFP II Multiple Use Recommendation

Maintain the identified lands in public ownership until such time as a real need is identified.

Rationale

With the present uranium lands activity in the McDermitt area, the town is likely to be growing in population. The public land adjoining the town should be retained in public ownership and made available to the town for expansion. When the town does request public land for expansion those lands should be included in the county's General Plan to provide for orderly growth and facilities.

There is presently a fair amount of private land at the junction of US 95 and State Route 104 which is undeveloped. The public parcel is not presently needed for commercial purposes.

Time Frame and Funding Requirements (Manpower)

Disposal effort could be implemented on a case by case basis in 1982. Manpower required for implementation of this action is desired due to present workload and staffing positions.

MFP III DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Reject the recommendation. Include the lands near McDermitt in Decision L 1.1. The lands at the junction of Highway 95 and State Route 140 are not needed at the present time.

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Objective Number

L 4.0

Objective:

To provide the opportunity for communities to acquire public lands suitable for the development of recreational and public purposes. This objective would allow acquisition of public lands for parks and recreation areas, golf courses, cemeteries and schools.

Rationale:

Federal lands adjacent to towns and communities of Northern Nevada are in demand for public purpose applications. More lands will be identified through the application process in order to be included in the planning process.

✓ Problems anticipated from this action are that the lands requested almost always exceed the need and development plans.) Problems may arise in that the requested use may conflict with existing uses.

Opportunities to be realized are that lands are available for recreation and public purposes for counties and municipalities.

Public lands are necessary for recreation purposes because of the close proximity and availability of public lands for that specific purpose.

The only assumption to be made is that the county will comply and develop the recreation site without threat of reversion of the lands back to the BLM. Forty-seven million acres of the State of Nevada is Federal land and, therefore, should be available for recreation and public purpose use and development.

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L 4.1 Recommendation:

To classify public lands as suitable for disposal by either lease or sale under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purpose Act (44 STAT, 741, as amended; 43 U.S.C. 869-4).

Identification of public lands will be deferred until such time as Humboldt County or Pershing County submits a request to acquire lands for recreation and public purpose.

This district will rank community needs high priority.

Rationale:

The above recommendation is valid because the public lands are in demand for development for recreation sites, public schools, sanitary land fills, etc.

As populations increase and more leisure time is afforded the recreation public, more lands will have to be devoted to public needs.

Support Needs:

1. Archeological survey and field reporting
2. Appraisal field work and report

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Multiple Use Analysis

MFP II

This is a very valid use for public lands and aids local governmental bodies in providing needed facilities. The social value attached to these lands is significant.

Multiple Use Recommendation

Reasons

1. As local governmental bodies identify public lands needed for recreation or public purposes proceeded with the standard Bureau procedures to determine the suitability of the land for the request. Providing the land is suitable for the requested use and conflicts can be mitigated, a lease should be issued until the development plan is satisfactorily completed.

Before disposing of public lands it is important the development plan for those lands is satisfactorily completed to insure a sound and satisfactory facility. In the past certain projects did not follow the development plan and have caused various problems for the surrounding land and/or owners.

Support

Appraisal

Archeology

Resource specialists to identify any possible conflicts on requested lands.

Time Frame and Funding Requirements (Manpower)

Recreation and public purpose actions are usually high priority in considering other lands casework actions. Adequate manpower is available for casework processing. Actions will be processed when received at the appropriate land office.

MFP III

L 4.1

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Reject the recommendation. This recommendation is covered in Lands 1.1.
Make a part of the District's standard operating procedure.

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Objective:

To allocate public lands for utility corridor purposes.

Rationale:

Farming and ranching endeavors require utility services in the way of power lines, phone cables, etc. Power transmission lines are necessary as they supply the necessary electricity to substations for the distribution to ranches and communities.

As utility services become available greater opportunities exist for the expansion of farm and ranching operations.

Some problems associated with right-of-ways are in the surface disturbing measures required in the implementation of each action.

Opportunities will be realized in the farm product commodity market due to cheaper and more reasonable sources of power.

Approximately 87% of the lands within the State of Nevada are public lands controlled by the Federal Government. Utility services require the public lands for linear utility corridors to ranching operations.

Utility corridors are necessary in order to prevent the proliferation of utility services on the public lands.

Impacts realized through the use of utility corridors will be minimal.

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L 5.1 Recommendation:

Designate utility right-of-way corridors adjacent to and including existing access roads, major highways, major utility power line routes. Utility service corridors are shown on the current intensive land use overlay #1.

Rationale:

The recommendation is technically feasible in that to restrict major power lines and utility services to corridors on the public lands will, in effect, lessen environmental impacts, reduce case processing time, and eliminate the proliferation of rights-of-way on the public lands.

Not all utility rights-of-way will be contained in the utility corridor but the corridor is designed to accommodate all major utility services, including transmission lines, cables and facilities.

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Multiple Use Analysis

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Every activity has identified conflicts with this recommendation but the majority are minor and by following the standard Bureau procedures, conflicts can be mitigated.

Only major power lines (69 Kilovolt [KV] and above) should be approved for utility corridors.

By using corridors, environmental impacts should be reduced and by locating the corridors along existing access road and major highways, maintenance of these facilities reduced.

Multiple Use Recommendations

Reasons

1. Designate utility right-of-way corridors adjacent to existing access roads, major highways and major utility powerline routes. Require all new requests for major rights-of-way to follow the designated corridor.

1. By establishing and using utility corridors, environmental impacts also should be reduced and maintenance cost of the facility will be reduced.

2. Assemble a multiple use team to revise the designated utility corridors for any applications which ask to deviate from corridors.

2. The existing designated team to utility corridors need to be updated to take advantage of existing paved roads.

Support

Resource Specialists

Time Frame and Funding Requirements

Establish utility corridor by FY 81.

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As Currently Written:

Designate right-of-way corridors along existing transportation and utility facilities with a specified width of 1.5 miles on each side of the existing transportation/utility facility. Exceptions to this width requirement will be made on a case by case basis following a multiple use analysis of a specific proposal.

In addition, no transportation or utility corridor will be approved on the Black Rock Playa north of the Western Pacific Railroad tracks from Sulphur west, or in those areas identified in cultural resource recommendations 1.2 and 1.6.

The separation of rights-of-way within the designated corridors will be limited to the minimum spacing required by technology, topography, reliability, visual impacts, etc.

All powerline rights-of-way well within raptor areas will contain stipulations requiring anti-bird electrocution structures, and wherever feasible and possible such rights-of-way will not be constructed within 400 yards of existing roads to minimize shooting of raptors.

Change To:

Designate right-of-way corridors along existing transportation and utility facilities with a specified width of 1.5 miles on each side of the existing transportation/utility facility. Exceptions to this width requirement will be made on a case by case basis following a multiple use analysis of a specific proposal.

In the vicinity of the Black Rock Desert Playa from Sulphur to Gerlach, transportation or utility facilities will be located within a designated corridor bounded one-quarter mile north and two and three-quarter miles south of the Western Pacific Railroad. Only underground utility facilities will be located north of the Western Pacific Railroad.

The separation of rights-of-way within the designated corridors will be limited to the minimum spacing required by technology, topography, reliability, visual impacts, etc.

All new powerline rights-of-way grants within raptor areas will contain raptor protection stipulations as means of mitigation.

Future rights-of-way corridors will be evaluated on a case by case basis, but should be as consistent as possible with the western states corridor study. No utility facilities will be allowed to cross the playa of the Black Rock Desert, other than the corridor previously mentioned.

Rationale:

Rights-of-way in common will minimize adverse environmental impacts and the proliferation of separate rights-of-way. Additional facilities in the immediate vicinity of existing rights-of-way will not add significantly to the visual quality impact, will facilitate management of the uses, and can use existing access roads.

These utility routes were established over the years taking into account engineering, economics, and the terrain to be traversed between points. These same criteria should still be valid for future utilities, unless some new and compelling values in the national interest should justify deviation from these corridors.

Corridors will minimize the BLM workload, because once an EAR is prepared it can be updated for subsequent actions in the corridor. Also, utility companies will then know where they can route lines with the least environmental disturbance that will be acceptable to BLM.

The definitions of designated right-of-way corridor and transportation and utility corridor are found in Final Rulemaking Rights-of-way, Principles and Procedures; Amendment of Right-of-way Regulations (47 F.R. 38804 et seq. September 2, 1982).

Persons-Organizations That Have Protested This Decision:

Sierra Pacific Power Company, Reno, Nevada.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

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In addition, no transportation or utility corridor will be approved on the Black Rock Playa north of the Western Pacific Railroad tracks from Sulphur west, or those areas identified as having high cultural resource values.

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All powerline rights-of-way well within raptor areas will contain stipulations requiring anti-bird electrocution structures, and wherever feasible and possible such rights-of-way will not be constructed within 400 yards of existing roads to minimize shooting of raptors.

Rationale

By establishing and using utility corridors, environmental impacts should be reduced, right-of-way applications should be expedited by reducing case file actions and analysis, and maintenance costs of facilities should be reduced.

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Objective:

Provide public lands for communication site development.

Rationale:

Communication site right-of-ways are and will continue to be in demand for Nevadans, due to the remoteness and isolated nature of Nevada communities and utility services.

Problems and opportunities to be realized through implementation of communication sites are:

1. The proliferation of communication facilities on mountain top locations.
2. The need to upgrade the utility electrical service to the site as more facilities are allowed.
3. Required maintenance on access roads to the facilities as vehicle use is increased.

Opportunities to be realized include better communication services for emergency situations which may occur in Northern Nevada.

Impacts that may occur include surface disturbance on lands previously undisturbed. This disturbance would include access road development, and site leveling and implementation.

Most communication site requests are for areas previously developed and readily available for the facilities. Impacts on these sites are relatively minimal due to access and previous site development.

Communication sites will be made available where the site is compatible with the associated resource activities and the environmental impacts are minimal.

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L 6.1 Recommendation:

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Develop communication sites on public lands where the lands are physically and environmentally compatible. Existing sites will be utilized wherever possible. The sites are listed below:

Mount Diablo Base & Meridian

Township	Range	Section
35N	41E	5
36N	37E	12
40N	31E	19
40N	35E	25
42N	35E	33
43N	32E	6
43N	37E	30
46N	30E	11
46N	32E	8
47N	32E	33

Other sites may be developed due to the incompatibility of radio frequencies or environmental/technical problems.

Rationale:

The recommendation for communication site development is technically feasible because the sites are existing with well maintained access roads, etc. The communication frequency would have to be compatible with all other existing frequencies before implementation could occur.

Some assumptions to be made in regard to communication sites and facilities is that some applications will be refused because of the amount of environmental damage that could occur. Possibilities would exist to consider existing sites and developed facilities before considering new lands. Companies often overlook the opportunity to use existing sites.

Benefits to be realized through this recommendation are better communications in Northern Nevada and less environmental damage to the public lands.

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Multiple Use Analysis

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This recommendation conflicts with most activities, but they are minor and by following the standard Bureau procedures they can be mitigated. Two existing communications sites are in conflict with wilderness intensive study units but mitigation is possible. Township 40 North, Range 31 East, Section 19 #606; and Township 46 North, Range 32 East, Section 8 #604.

Multiple Use Recommendations

Reasons

1. Provide for communication sites on public land by using existing sites when frequencies are compatible.

1. Existing communications sites have developed access and by sharing the site cheaper maintenance costs are possible. By using the same structure to house the communication transmitters a proliferation of structures is avoided and more individuals are able to use the same site with less visual disturbance.

2. Other sites may be developed due to the incompatibility of frequencies or environmental/technical problems.

2. Existing sites will not meet every need and new sites will be needed but only if the lands are physically and environmentally compatible.

Support

Resource Specialists

Appraisal

Time Frame and Funding Requirements (Manpower)

Adequate manpower is available for case processing on the Winnemucca District. Current load is being handled by District Staff Specialist. Processing will be handled on a case by case basis, when filed, establishing a priority date for processing.

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DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISION

Provide for communication sites on public land by using existing sites when frequencies are compatible.

Develop new communication sites only when environmental or technical problems or an existing site are incompatible with new applications.

New sites will be in compliance with Interim Management Policy and Guidelines in all WSAs.

New site development and road construction will be permitted only when no feasible alternative can be used on the following mountain ranges.

Jackson Mountains

Pine Forest Range (Duffer Peak)

Black Rock Range (Big Mountain)

Disaster Peak

DISTRICT MANAGER'S DECISIONExisting Unauthorized Use:

Pursue the following existing unauthorized use cases and either authorize or abate them. Coordinate with state and local government officials.

Ponch's Burn and Seed Occupancy
T. 46 N., R. 33 E., Section 36

Mack Dixon
T. 43 N., R. 37 E., Section 3 SE1/4

Future Unauthorized Use:

Utilize this land use plan to determine the disposition of each trespass as per the policy statement for unauthorized use approve by the Secretary of the Interior on December 24, 1980.